Construction of new tanks in South Travancore

353 *MR. D. FRANCIS: Will the Government be pleased to state the total number of estimates called for, for constructing new tanks in the taluks of Tovala, Agastisvaram, Kalkulam and Vilavankod for the use of the newly converted lands from 1-1-1110 to 1-1-1115?

MR. M. S. DORASWAMI AIYANGAR: Nil.

MR. M. SIVATHANU PILLAI: In view of the answer "Nil" may I know whether the newly converted lands can be cultivated without tanks or other irrigational facilities?

MR. M. S. DORASWAMI AIYANGAR; The newly converted lands can possibly be irrigated by the existing irrigational facilities. But no new tanks have been constructed because they will have to be distributed over a vast area and it is not possible.

MR. M. SIVATHANU PILLAI: Am I to understand from the answer that these newly converted lands are capable of being properly cultivated without these tanks?

MR. M. S. DORASWAMI AIYANGAR: If there is any irrigational difficulty in any portion of the lands the matter will be investigated upon and taken up and the question of constructing tanks will be then considered.

MR. M. SIVATHANU PILLAI: Then am I to understand that Government have received no representations to this effect from the ryots?

MR. M. S. DORASWAMI AIYANGAR: Every representation received from the ryots are being given due regard.

MR. C. JEBAMONY NADAR: May I know whether the want of tanks is not the chief cause for poor yield?

MR. M. S. DORASWAMI AIYANGAR: That may also be one of the reasons.

M. P. School building at Nadubhagom, Nedumudy.

354 *MR. N. NARAYANA KURUP (*Ambalapuzha* cum *Shertala*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have received any representation regarding the resolution for reconstruction of the M. P. School building at Nadubhagom, Nedumudy, Ambalapuzha;

(*b*) whether they have received any report from the Departmental Overseer regarding the reconstruction of the said school;

(*c*) if so, when was it received;

(*d*) what action has been taken on the report and the representation of the people of the locality; and

(*e*) whether the school is situated in a place where constant flood occurs?

MR. A. GOPALA MENON (*Director of Public Instruction*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) 3-7-1936.

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